

## Police Address Safety Concerns for Upcoming Spring Break



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While Spring Break is certainly an exciting time for citizens both young and old, maintaining a safe environment is also everyone's concern.

As such, the La Porte Police Department representatives wish to advise residents that they will be concentrating on specific safety concerns during the upcoming Spring Break. Through various targeted efforts including heightened curfew monitoring and traffic-related patrols targeting aggressive and impaired driving, the police department looks forward the brief yet satisfying period.

While it remains inevitable that the visible presence of juvenile activity will increase during any school-based vacation time, the harsh reality is that acts of delinquency have the potential to increase during the same intervals as well. In response to this pattern, La Porte Officers will be conducting curfew sweeps throughout the week of Spring Break (March 14-18), as well as its bordering weekends. Additionally, parents are urged to contact LPPD should they have questions as to which activities their children can participate in without violating the hours of curfew. As an immediate reminder, the curfew times for the City of La Porte are from midnight to 6 a.m. daily and apply to all juveniles under the age of 18.

Regarding police efforts to combat poor driving habits, officers will also be targeting aggressive and impaired drivers next week with a specific emphasis on Highway 146 and all along Fairmont Parkway. Motorists are also reminded to be aware of posted speed limits as officers will be addressing concerns with excessive speed as well. State Highway 225 and Spencer Highway are indeed other areas of significant concern, and LPPD warns that their multiple lane structure should not promote driving complacency, as they offer differing but equal potential for automobile accidents.

Keeping the community safe is the ultimate objective for La Porte Police, yet responsible and cooperative citizenship is essential if that goal is ever to be realized. Therefore, the department encourages parents, caregivers, and all other neighborhood residents to band together in making sure the 2011 Spring Break season is a safe success.

For more information on La Porte Police Department safety initiatives, please contact the department at 281-471-2141.